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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows. This Preliminary Amendment is being filed along with a Continuation Application filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). It is believed that no fee is required with this Amendment. However, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 01-2507.

**Amendment**

**In the Specification**

On page 1, after the title "IDENTIFICATION OF GENES" and before line 3, which begins "The present invention" please insert as a new paragraph

-- This application is a continuation of copending Application Serial No. 09/201,945, filed  
*Now U.S. PATENT No. 6,342,215,*  
December 1, 1998, entitled "IDENTIFICATION OF GENES," by David William Holden, which

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